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ORGANIZATION:

INTRODUCTION: "Give us an organization of revolutionaries and we shall turn Russia upside down" (V.I. Lenin, 1902)

A Communist Party which adheres to the W C M headed by the CPSU is not an ORDINARY party, and should not expect to be regarded as such. It is not simply a POLITICAL PARTY, hence, it cannot be put in the same category with other political parties. The C P resembles a military organization, often referred to as the "general staff" of the class struggle. And like an army, it needs a united, COMPACT ORGANIZATION, having a single program (Party Line, General Line) and a SINGLE DISCIPLINE to which all members are subject.

A CP's ultimate goal is to seize power by and for a well organized minority rather than to acquire such power through the vote of the electorate for which it needs a monolithic organization.

"The proletariat has no other weapon in the fight for power except ORGANIZATION; the proletariat can become and inevitably will become a dominant force only because its intellectual unity created by the principles of Marxism is fortified by the material unity of ORGANIZATION which LEADS, WELDS MILLIONS of TOILERS into an ARMY of the WORKING CLASS"

(V.I. Lenin)

I. PROBLEMS OF ORGANIZATION: Party

After a correct Line, which merely expresses the DESIRE for VICTORY but not the victory itself, has been laid down, after a correct solution of the tactical problem (Tactical Line) has been found, success depends on:

- A. How the work was ORGANIZED
- B. The organization of the struggle for the application of the Party and Tactical Lines
- C. The proper selection of personnel.

E. Systematic struggle against all sorts of difficulties and overcoming them by:

1. Mobilizing the Party and the working class for the purpose of overcoming same;
2. Removing inefficient functionaries (purging) of the Party of unreliable and demoralized persons)
3. Organizing extensive self-criticism and exposure of the defects in work (elimination of lack of personal responsibility, etc.)

F. Mobilization of Party and non-Party people to fight for the application of the slogans and decisions of the Party; (Tactical Line)

G. Correct applications of principles of Democratic Centralism; which means:

1. All leading bodies, from bottom up, are to be elected.
2. Party units report periodically to their higher Party organizations.
3. Strict party discipline and SUBORDINATION of the MINORITY to the MAJORITY;
4. DECISIONS OF HIGHER ORGANS ABSOLUTELY BINDING on lower units.

II. TASKS OF ORGANIZATION:

The Communist pursuit of power is subversive:

A. Because it is not limited to the areas where constitutional, responsible power is won, but is carried on everywhere in the social structure, whenever an increment of power can be squeezed from control of a Non-Communist organization or portion of it;

B. Because it does not know any stopping place in its search for power short of concentrating total control in its own hands.

This unceasing and unbounded struggle, associated with the politicalization of every facet of society calls for the fulfillment of certain organizational tasks which may be summed up as:

- A. Continuance of adaptation of organizational work to the requirements of the PARTY AND TACTICAL LINES
- B. Raising ORGANIZATIONAL Leadership to the level of POLITICAL Leadership
- C. Seeing that the ORGANIZATIONAL leadership is fully equal to the task of ensuring the realization of political slogans and decisions of the Party
- D. Selection of proper CADRES
- E. Fostering of cadres, helping every promising Party member to advance and accelerating his development
- F. Promoting new and young cadres in time so as not to allow them to stagnate in their old posts and grow stale
- G. Allocating members to posts in such a way that each feels he is in the RIGHT PLACE, that each may contribute to the common cause the maximum his personal capacities enable him to contribute.
- H. Allocating cadres which may fully answer to the demands of the Party and Tactical Lines for the carrying out of which this allocation of cadres is designed.
- I. Enforcement of organizational discipline
- J. Winning the CONFIDENCE of the proletariat by convincing it of the INVINCIBILITY of COMMUNIST LEADERSHIP inspired by

III. CONCLUSIONS:

"We want a VOLUNTARY union of nations--a union which would make impossible any oppression of one nation by another, a union based on full trust, clear understanding of fraternal unity, and ABSOLUTELY VOLUNTARY AGREEMENT." (V.I. Lenin, "On Organization")

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"Party is a party and a government is a government"

It is claimed that we are interfering in your internal affairs. You say: "We do not like the things you do, we cannot tolerate the things you do, and therefore we interfere in your affairs". But we do not ask you why you interfere--that we know--we are telling you that you are interfering in our internal affairs and that you should not dare to interfere in those affairs. By your long speech you have only proved that you really are interfering and wish to interfere in the affairs of other states. But we must warn you that we shall not permit you to interfere in our affairs no matter how much you want to do so. But, I repeat--you want to interfere and are trying to interfere in our internal affairs. And this we have proved in full.

Of course you have to drag in all sorts of fables--first the Comintern, and then when the Comintern was dissolved, the Cominform. Now you have brought in the Soviet government, apparently having no grasp at all of the fact that the late A.A. Zhdanov was a secretary of the Central Committee of the Party. You make a gross mistake when you confuse governments with parties. A party is a party and a government is a government

When you act as a government, when you pass laws which are incompatible with the elementary norms of international law, incompatible with normal relations with other states, then the question arises of the responsibility which the government conducting itself in this manner bears for these actions.

Of course, we can in no event condemn the activity of the Comintern or the Communist Parties in other countries; we are Communists ourselves. But that is one thing, and the activity of a government is something else. It is something else to pass laws directed against other governments, laws aimed at interfering in the internal affairs of other states. Such laws are nothing more than aggression.

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But has Mr. Mansfield said a single word to the effect that the law of October 10 is not directed against the Soviet system, the Soviet state, the Soviet government? No, instead of that he has merely said that 15 years ago the USSR itself allegedly made some kind of a violation of the 1933 agreement and that the American government protested it at the time. Again Mansfield has side-stepped the main question. He has acted according to the rule of the man who replies to an accusation: "You have done the same sort of thing yourself, you're another!" This is the essence of the reply from the representatives of the United States!

On the Aggressive Actions and Interference by the United States of America in the Internal Affairs of Other Countries

Speech by A. Ya. Vyshinsky in the Political Committee of the United Nations on December 19, 1951.

(New Times - #2, 9 Jan 1952, pg 7; "Pravda" 21 Dec. 1951)

II. PARTY AND ITS TASKS IN FOREIGN POLICY

The tasks of the Party in foreign policy are;

1. To utilize each and every contradiction and conflict among the surrounding capitalist groups and governments for the purpose of disintegrating imperialism;
2. to spare no pains or means to render assistance to the proletarian revolution in the West;
3. to take all necessary measures to strengthen the national liberation movement in the East;
4. to strengthen the Red Army.

J.V. Stalin, "The Party after Seizure of Power,"
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III. THE PARTY AND ITS DIRECTING INSTRUCTIONS:

The Directing instructions of the Party determine the whole activity of the Soviets and the apparatus of state power. The Party provides the most important and basic thing, the policy and the direction of the work. The Party sees to it that the decisions of Soviet agencies are firmly carried out in practice.

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IV. THE PARTY AND ITS "SHOCK BRIGADES"

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"Our Party cannot be indebted to FRATERNAL PARTIES, and it must in its turn RENDER THEM SUPPORT and also SUPPORT THEIR PEOPLES in their STRUGGLE for LIBERATION, in their STRUGGLE FOR PRESERVATION OF PEACE.

"The SOVIET PARTY was christened by fraternal parties the 'SHOCK BRIGADE of the WORLD REVOLUTIONARY and WORKERS' MOVEMENT' after the 1917 Revolution. By this means they expressed the hope that the success of the 'shock brigade' will alleviate the position of the people languishing under the oppression of capitalism. The Soviet Party has justified these hopes, especially during the Second World War, however, fulfillment of this 'honorable role' was the only one... NOW THE SITUATION is DIFFERENT. Since the new 'SHOCK BRIGADES' have APPEARED in the form of POPULAR DEMOCRATIC COUNTRIES (PEOPLES' DEMOCRACIES) it has BECOME EASIER for OUR PARTY to STRUGGLE, and work has become more joyful!"

J.V. Stalin (at the XIXth Congress of the CPSU -- 1952)

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